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THE EDITORIAL CIRCLE.

Hebrew Manuscript. In the Vatican at Rome is the origial Hebrew manuscript of the Bible. A syndicate of wealthy Jews has been formed to purchase it. They have ofnot probable that they will obtain it. It is the most valuable book in the library. Only a hundred years ago the Jews of Europe tried to get hold of it and offered to pay more than its weight in gold for it but they were unsuccessful .- Central Baptist.

Praise too late:

When a man has so far acknowledged his participation in the common trailty as to die, then men begin to condone his faults; and by the time he has been dead one or two hundred years, they find him quite tolerable. An eminent ecclesiastic in the Anglican Church recently pronounced the greatest of the Puritans, Oliver Cromwell, "the most righteous ruler England ever had " A man who is dead is out of the way. I will offer a dentinition (without charge) to the editors of the magnificent Century Dictionary: "Saint: a man with convictions, who has been dead a hundred years: canonized now, canonized then."-Dr. C. H. Parkhurst.

Short Stop.

ters into full connection with the Con- followers of Christ to decide is, wheth portant one: 'Are you in debt so as to church, and glory in Methodism, Pres embarrass you in the work of the min- byterianism, Lutheranism, etc., or istry?' The answer is always given rally as one grand army for Christ in the negative. 'We have wished,' under the banner of his cross simply, says the correspondent, that the and march out from the paralyzing Bishop would immediately ask, 'Are shadow of unbelief and heathenism you in debt so as to embarrass any- into the full, free, and glorious conbody else?' That question might quest of the world .- Herald of Gospel prove to be a 'short stop' in some Inberty. cases .- Michigan Advocate.

Be Your Own Executor.

They cherish a purpose to turn it in must start for home. So he conclud- is to accept popular opinion for centuries, but, postponing the ex | who had the reputation of giving wise Presbyterian Observer tells of a gentle- vited him to be seated. After the tiny. man in Philadelphia who intended to rest had gone, he was asked his fore the death of the testator, and she Whatsoever good we intend to do why delay until to-morrow?-New York

The Neglected Truth.

There is a teeling after sacerdotalism among many who should know truth is the priesthood of all the saints. "Ye shall be named the priests of the present is the only moment we are Lord; men shall call you the ministers sure of, "Behold now is the acceptof our God" (Isaiah ixi, 6) .- Dr. John ed time; now is the day of salvation."

Jesus prayed for the union of his Church, to the end that the unbelieving world might be convinced. Five times he uses the phrase 'That they all may be one,' and twice he assigns as s fered to pay down \$200,000. It is reason, That the world may believe that thou hast sent me.' Unconvinced, the world can not be saved by the Gospel, and that which will most surely convince of the truth of the Gospel is a united action among the followers of Christ. A universal conviction with all denominations is, that this prayer of Jesus for unity has not had fulfillment, and everywhere the fact is deplored, while a feeble effort is here and there put forth to bring about its answer. Who stands in the way of the answer of this most mem orable prayer of Jesus? Not the world of unbelief in Christian lands. nor the dark-minded children in the heathenism of pagan lands, but the members of Christ's own body-they of whom it is said, 'All ye are brethren. and one is your Master, even Christ." If at home the denominations should stand together as do the members of a single church, and if abroad among the heathen the missionary was the representative of the church at home, how soon would unbelief bow its head and the gloom of heathenism flee away bofore the light! Jesus says that through united action in organic oneness the world would A correspondent of Pacific Advocate believe in him, and thus his kingdom would add a new question to the Dis- would become established in all the cipline. In receiving young minis- earth. The grave question for the ference, the Bishop asks this im- er they will cling to the divided

Never Put Off.

leave \$100,000 to a university and a business. The farmer told him that like sum to a religious society, but he he had heard of his reputation, and had a fancy that it would be a pleasant had come in to get some of his good thing to execute his will on his eight advice. The lawyer said, "A quarrel spond to the providence of God as she the solomn step which Christ declares ieth birthday, and unfortunately he with a neighbor perhaps?" "No," the ought. The very air is vocal with the died before the day came. A lady is farmer replied; he never quarreled calls of God, the very horizon is blazalso mentioned who bequeathedgen- with any one. "About some land, then?" ing with signal lights. Who will erous sum to several benevolent insti- The farmer replied he had all the come forward and say, 'Here am 1, tutions, but by the laws of Pennsylan- land he wanted. Then the lawyer took send me?' Who will bring their silia charitible bequests are not valid a slip of paper, and, after writing ver and gold with them and lay on unless they are made thirty days befarmer, charging three and four-pence. will go into that holy of holies, where died two days after the will was made The farmer put it in his pocket, and wrestling Jacobs become prevailing went home.-While eating his supper, should be done at once, if the means one of his boys came to him, asking are at hand. If it can be done to-day what they should do with the hay. It was in prime order to put into the barn. It was in as good a state as it could be in the field. The farmer hesitated; it was Saturday night; the weather was fine; the men had laborbetter which most intelligent people ed hard all the week, and had gone to regard with contempt. But such er. rest. He thought of the slip of paper, rors are the common avengers of drew it out saying, "I have got some neglected truths. The neglected advice here," and read, "Never put off until to-morrow what should be done Let us revive and illustrate it. An to day." "Call out the men, boys idle, selfish, corrupt clergy has always and girls, and have every load of that provoked the dislike and scorn of men. hay into the barn before we go into But what if the priesthood of the world our beds." They did so. Before neglect its duties, and prove unfaith. Monday morning came, the wind ful to its trust? For we are, if saints changed and blew down a heavy rain, at all, "a peculiar people to show washing much of the hay on the ad forth the praises of him who hath call- joining farm into river running was ed us out of darkness into his marvel. nearly ruined. The next season, the ous light," Let us keep our vows. Let farmer took a pair of fat chickens to ling sea, whose foam gave birth to of other retrenchments, 11,000,000 us fulfil our calling. Let us offer our the lawyer, and did so many succesdaily sacrifices.—What hope is there sive years, telling him his advice had for the world if the Church be useless? saved him a great deal of money. If What can a dead world do if the promptness in attending to the affairs Church be lifeless? If the priests be of time and sense, which are passing recreant to God and set up the golden away with the use of them, will bring calf, what can come but apostacy and such gain, of how much more infinite judgment? Let us, in our homes, our importance is it that we should attend business relaxations, our givings, our at once, without one moment's delay, labors, be holy; and to us shall be to the salvation of the soul, which is made the promise that binds together of infinite value, beyond estimation, both Testaments and both worlds, that part which lives forever! The

OUR LIGHT HOUSE.



"Let the lower lights be burning." How Straftened.

The law shows you that you are not straight; grace straightens you. D. L. MOODY.

Out-Long.

the road because the road seems to be longer than it might have been. JOSEPH PARKER.

Better than A Revival.

There is semething better than a that doesn't need to be revived. D. D. Moody.

How To Give. Every man according as he pur poseth in his heart, so let him give for God loveth a cheerful giver. PAUL.

The Music of a Loving Heart. Of all earthly music, that which reaches the tarthest into heaven is the beating of a loving heart.

H. W. BEECHER.

How to Pray.

I asked Mr. Spurgeon once how he prayed, and he said to me, "I always plead that promise."

WAYLAND HOYT.

The Pivot.

wrong or the wrong right. Yet many a man or boy on coming into a new some channel where it will do good ed to step into the office of a lawyer, guide, or is to conform his course to a standard that he knows to be correct. ecution of the rdesigns, they die with- council. On entering, he found sever- On his answer to that question there out accomplishing their desire. The al wating their turn. The lawyer in- may pivot his character and his des-

H. Clay TRUMBULL.

"The Church of God does not reand barren wastes."

Judge Not. their neighbor's character and life.

F. N. PELOUBET.

Advice to Young Men.

So you were a little too pert, and son? And you got picked up right navy. suddenly on your statement, eh? Oh,1

well, that's all right; that happens to older men than you every day. I have noticed that you have a very postive way of filing a decision where other men state an opinion, and you frequently make a positive assertion where older men merely express a grow older. "Don't I mean you will know more?" Heaven forbid, my boy. No, indeed; I meau that you will know less. You will never know ten! more than you do now; never. If you you will never again know so much as you do now. No hoary-headed Do not consider that we are out of sage whose long and studious years were spent in reading men and books ever knew so much as a boy of your age. A girl of fifteen years knows about as much, but then she gets over it sooner and more. "Does it cause a pang, then, to get rid of early knowlrevival and that is a Christian life edge?" Ah, my boy, it does. Pulling eye-teeth and molars will seem like pleasant recreation alongside of shedding off great solid slabs and layers of wisdom and knowledge that now press upon you like geological strata. "But how are you to get rid of all this superincumbent wisdom?" Oh, easily enough my boy; just keep on siring it; that's the best way. It won't stand constant use, and it disintegrates rapidly on exposure to air. R. J. BURDETTE.

Mr. Randall's Testimony to Religion. 'Two years ago I happened to be in find a promise appropriate to the need then chairman of the committee, sat ground of the good man's endorseand then, in the name of the Lord is his place at the head of the table Word. He took in the Word and so Jesus, and for his sake, I simply writing letters, and apparently paying did the local brother, but the exegesis drifted past philosophy unto religion. vice. The old blother take a drifted past philosophy unto religion. took me by the hand, saying, 'Ah, my mighty Right is right, and wrong is wrong. but all the others expressed in turn good sermon and may the Lord bless Popular opinion cannot make the right skeptical views of religion. Apparent- you, but my Bible says 'mote,' and I ly Randall was not listening, but when reckon Smith's (the local preacher) Bi A farmer had occasion to go to a community finds that popular opinion that masterful way which made him to neighbor to Those to whom God has intrusted neighboring town. Having accom- just there approves that which he so imgressive in the House, his face get rid of his 'motes; and I come money often fail to give it the direc. plished his business, he found that a knows ought not to have tolerance. stern but bright, and he said in his mighty near saying, while Smith was tion they intended because of delay. little lessure remained until ere he Then comes the question whether he crisp way: 'Gentlemen, Christianity a praying, 'Hooraw for Smith,' right credits his own in telligence. I have examined this matter for myself,' 1 this lesson; Give the multitude the I never heard anything more solomn simple Word as they read it, and the or impressive. No one else had a word to say.' We have not very much confidence in what is said about great behind him a name that is as sweet men who did not make a public profession of religion before their death; but as Speaker Randall had taken is essential for all, that of confessing ministry. I am naturally impetuous him before the world, the incident is but at the same time susceptible of consistent and credible.

JNO. T. MILLER.

Immigration.

There is a significant fact behind the vast immigration of Italians to Israels, and learn the secret of that this country. That fact is the financial condition of their country. The showers of blessing upon earth's dry situation to-day is so hazardous that pressed me differently. This man was the Crispi ministry is breaking down. Rome has gone into bankruptcy, and the line of right, no matter how hard other cities are likely to follow suit. The immense burdens are a result in cost. I loved him with a love that a measure of the alliance Italy has The man who judges theism by the made with Austria and Germany. The errors of its sects and the vices of its nation, like many an individual, in or imitators is very much like the man der to keep up with the times, is runwho, having heard a good deal about ning into ruin. The alliance was make the ocean, sets out from his inland in 1876, I believe. Previous to that desert to see it, and plants himself date the army appropriations amountwhere a great sewer empties into it ed to about \$34,000,000; but in 1887 from a populous city. He sits down they came to \$73,000,000. In 1870 on a dock to contemplate the muck the naval cost was \$6,000,000; in 1889 and mire when the tide is out. He it was \$24,000,000. The ministry is looks at the oyster cans an paper col- trying to do something, but it cannot three sons partook of the character lars and dead dogs; he surveys the do much. The minister of the treasu- and talents or both parents in some sluggish refuse that bubbles and ry has announced amendments to the degree. A son and daughter brilliant crawls in tepid currents. and he ex- budget effecting a reduction in army quick, inventive. Another son and claims: 'Well, is this the blue, spark- and navy estimates of 15,000,000 lire; startling often in their cool, calculat-Approdite and whose crested billows lire; there still remains, however, a ter susceptible to righteousness, inhave rolled so long through poetry deficit of 9,000 lire to be provided for. dependent, tender affectionate. The and song? It won't do.' You feel Retrenchmont must go hand in hand father in each, the mother in each. like taking that man by the neck and with reform if any staple good is aclitting him up so be can see some- complished. With 253,000 men under thing .- A. C. Wheeler. But many arms; a total army strength of 2,595,judge not only religion and the Bible 637 men; a navy of 175 vessels, and and churches in this false way, but 50 vessels and boats under construction, there is ample room for reform. Already \$72,000,000 have been spent on the navy. Think of the above princely appropriations for war purposes, and then of \$5,000,000 per an. num being devoted to the cause of education. Italy needs reconstructio spoke without thinking, did you, my of ideas rather than consurction of

BY GAMMA.

A grand old Christian class leader took the starch out of me once upon a time. I had a big tex . If there is where older men merely express a anything in the line of the ridiculous belief. But never mind; you are young. You will know less as you of a thinking man, it is to see a big him. I knew my friend was held fast arms. This is an improvement in text with a small preacher hung to it. by this appetite and had not the pow-It always makes me think of a kitten all right, but, oh! the kitten, the kit-

Well, I took the text- Why beholdlive to be ten thousand years older, est thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, and considerest not the beam a small face, I struggled on with not that is in thing own eye?' etc., I a penitent. There in that amen corassumed the role of the exegete, and ner sat my poor, enslaved friend. went to work in the interest of cor- What could I do? At length the powrect interpretation of the Word. I er of the Holy Ghost came down on the said the contrast in the text was not congregation. Men and women crowdas the accepted translation had it, be- ed the altar crying for salvation. Two the flowering trees of Japan are wontween a spot in the eye and a total or three nights after this, while the derful. All winter we have had the obstruction of the vision by a broad sweetest influence rested on the audi- "Camelia Japonica" in flower. These piece of timber; but it . was between a ence, three of his children came to trees grow to a height of thirty feet nar row piece of timber like a splin- the altar! I saw my opportunity, and bear luxuriantly. The blossoms ter and the broad piece called 'beam. and, praying for guidance, went to are of a great variety of colors from Hence, said I, the proper reading is him. To my surprise, there was no white to dark crimson, with some Why beholdest thou the splinter that smell of drink in his breath, and the beautiful variegated specimens. Next is in thy brother's eye, and consider- big tears were running down hischeeks. come the "plum blossoms." These we est not the beam that is in thine own I put my hand on his shoulder, and thought to be the most beautiful we eye?' ect., ect. I saw this old brother said; Brother , now is the time for could find even in this land of wonder shake his head and wink at his wife you to do the work of your life. You but they were soon followed by the on the other side of the house, who no can help yourchildren if you will.' He "peach blossoms," and now we have doubt was looking at her husband for arose deliberately, and, going to the the signs of the times.' I knew my altar, knelt down with them, and possible for me to decide which is the fate at one, but it was too late. I had enclosing them all in his arms, said more beautiful. One of my neighbors done the deed, and must abide the results as best I could. I closed my them and God. But from that hour feet high and covered with flowers; and sermon in due or undue time, and called on the local precher to pray. Amens | was established in his house and after went up from all parts of the house, and the good old class leader was leading in the forefront of praise. The gist of the prayer was gratitude to went up to heaven-In Rich Chris. Ad-God for the word taught us not to the room of the House Committee on think so much of 'motes' in the eyes Appropriations talking with several of our neighbors when we ourselves members of the committee. Randall, had beams in our eyes!' I saw the no attention to the conversation. We he cared nothing for. This notion of talked about many subjects, and finally mine was proven correct after the service. The old brother came np to me I said nothing on this latter subject young brother, that was a mighty we got through he rose to his feet in to help us get rid of our 'beams,' so

Lord!' I never tried exegesis in his presence again; and I learned that day Holy Spirit will take care of results. That good old man went to his reward a few years after this episode, leaving incense to this day. The inspiration

so far as human influence can go.

There was another who exercised

controlling influence in shaping my

easy control by the proper person. There are some people who can do nothing with me. They create in me first a suspicion as regards their wisdom, and then as regards their confidence in my integrity. This class might actually convince me ot my error, but I wouldn't follow their advice till I had gotten the same advice, or just as good from one who had imsuch a man at the latter. He could make me do anything he pleased in the task, no matter how much the was past caluclation or description. His family was most interesting. His wife was a cultured lady in mind and heart, responsive to the truth and careful in the training of her children, without the repulsive methods of parental tyranny, or the loose methods of parental in dutgence. She was modest without prudery, loquacious without any taint of the disgusting art of gossip, pious without the cantof the hypocrite, and entertaining without the modern elements of shallowness and conceit. Her three daughters and ing sallies. Another son and daugh-There was one thing, however in the father's disposition which led him into trouble but it did not manifest in his children-strange to say! That is, he was sociable, and this made him a victim of strong drink. Oh! how my heart has bled to see this good man' a steward in the Church, reeling home to be cared for by the loving tenderness of his noble wife. I have wept

try to save him. The Church was miles. most neutralized by the intimacy bethey pocketed the price of this man's turn to their houses subject to a call er in himself to break from these fet-'raslin' with a father bed. The hed is ters, and that a word from me, his fore being placed on the emergency bosom friend, might make him despise list. mid summer. For a whole week, with seventeen years of consistent, temper ate, intelligent service he lay down upon the promise of the Lord, and

The Emperor of Japan.

"Hey, hey, step aside!" astonished to be thus accosted by a police officer, I hastened to obey, and asked my interpreter for an explanation, who in formed me that his imperial majesty. the Emperor, was coming.

The gentleman officer across the street called again to me and pointing to his cap said, "Shappo," and I obeyed by removing my hat. And now I waiting to see their sovereign. Soon consists of dark blue coat and vest. red pants, black bat, and high boots. Emperor's coat of arms in the cen-

armed. There was no music, and 1mof his piety was the life of his Church some as any man could wish to ride atter. The driver and footman occupied the box, and an officer rode by either side of the carriage.

The carriage is a small one with painted a dark maroon, with black and gold trimmings. Tife upholstery is of old gold purple and silver colors and trimmings. The Emperor was the only occupant on this occa sion, and wore a black dress suit and silk hat. The only emblems of office I could see asthe carriage passed were some jewels worn on the left lappel of his coat.

While Japan has had a long line of rulers, pand some of them have been emmently successful in their reigns, it is doubtful if there has been one who was so universally loved as the present Emperor. He seems to be one of the best informed men in the empire concerning the needs and interests of his people. He is in almost daily consultation with his minister of state, and frequently calls for other men to obtain the latest and best information in matters of special importance. Recently he heard three lectures in one day on a scientific question that he was at that time considering, and is personally interested in every enterprise looking to the public good. When the receat fires bad made a large number of the people in the dis trict homeless, he was prompt in ar-

ranging for their temporal comfort, and subscribed one thousand yen for their relief. He is not simply the ruler of Japan. but according to the faith of the Jap and hundreds went to the park to see young, and Love is young, and Joy as I have had one and another of his him and do him homage. He left To is young and Generosity is young. lovely children tell me, Papa has come home sick again, and we will entertian vou!' They knew what was

I loved him and I determined to and is a little over two hundred

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The name Christian, to the exclusion of all party or sectarian names.

3. The Holy Bible, or the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, a sufficient

4 Christian character, or vital plety, the

only test of fellowship or membershi 5. The right of private judgment and the liberty of conscience, the privilege and duty of all.

ule of faith and practice.

UUK PRINCIPLES: The Lord Jesus Christ is the only Head

scandalized, my own ministry was al A new law has -recently been promulgated concerning military service tween us, the world was sneering, the which provides that men over twenty church complaining, and the grog years shall serve in the standing army shop keepers were laughing while for one and a half years and then retavor of the men, as formerly they were required to serve four years be-

himself. So I talked with Jesus about | Rain ! rain ! rain ! For nearly it every day till my meeting begun in a whole month it has rained almost every day, and some days it rained all the time; and the mud is-well, it is about as had as you can imagine, for we have neither sidewalks nor cross walks, so we get a good supply of mud. every time we step outside the house.

This is the season of flowers, and the "cherry blossoms," and it is imsomething which nobody heard but has a peach tree that is fully sixty he was another man! Family worship some of the orchards around Tokio are perfectly magnificent in their rich garments of pink and white. Now the "hyacinths" are in bloom, also the "violets" and the "cloves," and several varieties of small flowers whose names I have not learned.

The following paper is a copy of a record found in the"Musio Borgiano," in Rome, and was made by a Japanese Embassy who visited Rome in 1585 to offer the allegiance of certain Japanese princes to the Pope. It will be remembered by those who have read the history that at that time the Roman Catholics were arranging to become the nominal rulers of the empire, at least in so far as religion was concerned: "By the help of the Creator of heaven and earth, and all things (that noticed that both sides of the street are therein), and his Son our Savior, were lined with people who were Jesus, we dip our pen (in ink) to Don Manico, grandson of the Prince of a courier appeared riding one of the Hinga, as envoy of the Prince of finest horses I have seen here; a Bungo, and Chijiwa Dom Miguel, as beautiful young bay of unusual size envoy of the Prince of Arims and and spirit. The man wore the full Omnra, Dom Bartholome, besides uniform of the imperial guard, which Hara Don Juliano, two gentlemen of the Province of Pizen, came to Rome from Japan. We undertook a voy-He carried a small red flag with the age of three years' duration to kiss the foot of his holiness the Pope and offer our homage as representatives of Hardly had he passed when a troop the foregoing princes and of the Chrisof about twenty horsemen appeared tians of Japan. Further, having heard all bearing the red flags and fully of Venice, and desiring to visit the wonderful city, never in ancient or mediately behind the troops came the modern times in possession of an ene-"imperial carriage," drawn by two my, we have come here. Of a truth dark chesnut bay horses, dressed in it is more beautiful than we had exgold-mounted harness, and as hand pected, and has greatly astonished our eyes. In particular the kindness of every one to us is inexpressible by tongue or pen. Therefore as a record for after days we have dipped a pen, for the very profound love (manifested oval glass front, and one seat. It is to us) shall never be forgotten. In spite of its remoteness this honored spot has not been without fame in the land of the Sun. Should we be tortunate enough to return safely to our home we will tully declare in our country what we have seen and heard. With reverence with reverence.2d. VI.,

H. J. RHODES.

Let the Sun Shine.

The way to keep the Sabbath is not to sit around with a long face, trying to see how dismal you can make it for children and others who are natur. ally joyous, but make it the brightest and happiest day in all the week. No matter how thick and black the clouds are over head, make Sunday bright and cheerful in the home. Determine that you will rejoice in the Lord, though the heavens fall Say with the psalmist: "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth." If the Devil can tempt you to make the Sabbath a cold miserable, bleak and cheerless day at home, he won't care how happy you get at class meeting. It is the religion that shines at home that makes the Devil gnash his teeth. If you haven't got that kind, seek it till you find it .-The Ram's Horn.

A BIRTHDAY LETTER -- Writing to a young girl on her birthday, the late anese partakes of a divine nature as Dr. Robertson said: 'By being always well, and is worshipped by most of his bumble you will be always youngsubjects. This is seen on every oc- Humility is a 'little child., This is casion that he appears on the streets, Christ' picture of it. But Prideis oldand was especially noticeable on as old as that old Serpent, the Devil. March 27th when he went to open the If you indulge in pride, you'll make great exhibition which is soon to be the pretty face of your soul old and opened to the public. The daily pa wrinkled in no time. And Faith, too pers had informed the people of the is a litte child,' and makes you and time of his arrival at the grounds keeps you always young; and Hope is kio on March 29th by special train for The graces are all young; but Sin is "Nagoya" to witness the battle and an ugly old hag. And so I hope that annual maneuvers of a part of the you will be dressed afresh today in the wrong and thought to hide the tamily army and navy. This I am told is beauties of holiness and baptized ashame. he longest railroad ride he has taken, new into the dew of youth.